Senate File 2074 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the operation of motor vehicles by persons
- without a valid driver's license or financial liability
- 3 coverage, and providing penalties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **614.28A** Persons without valid 2 driver's licenses or financial liability coverage.
- 3 No action for damages for death, personal injury, or
- 4 property damage resulting from a motor vehicle accident or
- 5 collision shall be brought by a person involved in the accident
- 6 or collision, regardless of fault, if the person, at the time
- 7 of the accident or collision, was operating a motor vehicle
- 8 with a denied, canceled, suspended, or revoked driver's license
- 9 in violation of section 321.218, 321A.32, or 321J.21, or
- 10 without financial liability coverage in effect for the vehicle
- 11 in violation of section 321.20B, subsection 1.
- 12 Sec. 2. Section 726.6, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended
- 13 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 14 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. Knowingly operates a motor vehicle with
- 15 a denied, canceled, suspended, or revoked driver's license in
- 16 violation of section 321.218, 321A.32, or 321J.21, or without
- 17 financial liability coverage in effect for the vehicle in
- 18 violation of section 321.20B, subsection 1, while the child or
- 19 minor is a passenger in the vehicle.
- 20 EXPLANATION
- 21 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 22 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 23 If a person operates a motor vehicle with a denied, canceled,
- 24 suspended, or revoked driver's license or without financial
- 25 liability coverage in effect for the vehicle and an accident or
- 26 collision occurs, this bill prohibits the person from bringing
- 27 a civil action for property damage, personal injury, or death
- 28 resulting from the accident or collision, regardless of fault.
- 29 In addition, the bill provides that knowingly operating a
- 30 motor vehicle with a denied, canceled, suspended, or revoked
- 31 driver's license or without financial liability coverage in
- 32 effect for the vehicle, while a child under 14 years of age
- 33 or a minor under 18 years of age with a mental or physical
- 34 disability is a passenger in the vehicle, constitutes child
- 35 endangerment. Child endangerment is punishable as a class "B"

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- 1 felony if the child or minor dies, a class "C" felony if the
- 2 child or minor is seriously injured, a class "D" felony if the
- 3 child or minor is injured, and an aggravated misdemeanor if the
- 4 child or minor is not injured.